

Daily Dose of Verbal Ability-01-07-2019

Vocabulary

Acrid (adj):

An acrid smell or taste is strong and sharp, and usually unpleasant= pungent, sharp

The classroom filled with the acrid smell of tobacco

Austere (adj):

If you describe something as austere, you approve of its plain and simple appearance= simple, stern

His father is a very austere man

Brackish (adj):

Brackish water is slightly salty and unpleasant = saline

Chilka Lake in Orissa is the largest brackish water lake in India

Decrepit (adj):

Something that is decrepit is old and in bad condition Someone who is decrepit is old and weak = old, delapidated

The film had been shot in a decrepit old school.

Fervid (adj):

believing or feeling something too strongly = ardent

Kriti's fervid enthusiasm for work resulted in her rapid growth in the organisation

Frail (adj):

Someone who is **frail** is not very strong or healthy = weak

He lay in bed looking particularly frail

Humane (adj):

Humane people act in a kind, sympathetic way towards other people and animals, and try to do them as little harm as possible = kind

Being developed also means a better, more humane society

Hazy (adj):

Hazy weather conditions are those in which things are difficult to see, because of light mist, hot air, or dust = clear, slightly obscure

He was a little hazy about the details

Illusive (adj):

This is only a mirage; let us not be fooled by its illusive effect

Improvident (adj):

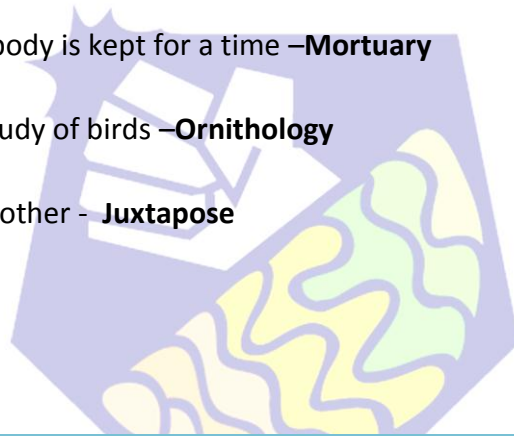
too careless to save any money or to plan for the future = ex- extravagant, wasteful

Her improvident actions have left her son heavily in debt after her death

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One Word Substitutions

1. To take back, withdraw or renounce –**Recant**
2. habit of always admiring oneself – **Narcissism**
3. who intervenes between two or more parties to settle difference –**Intermediary**
4. One who deserts his principle or believes –**Renegade**
5. Property handled down after the death of a person –**Inheritance**
6. who breaks the established traditions and image –**Iconoclast**
7. who believes in that gaining pleasure is the most important thing in life –**Hedonist**
8. Building in which a dead body is kept for a time –**Mortuary**
9. Experts in the scientific study of birds –**Ornithology**
10. Placing a thing besides another - **Juxtapose**



Root Words

<u>ROOT</u>	<u>MEANING</u>	<u>EXAMPLES</u>
anthrop	human beings	anthropology study of human beings misanthrope hater of humankind
		philanthropy love of humankind; charity
apt	fit	aptitude skill adapt make suitable or fit
aqua	water	aqueduct passageway for conducting water
		aquatic living in water aqua fortis nitric acid (strong water)
arch	ruler, first	archaeology study of antiquities (study of first things) monarch sole ruler
		anarchy lack of government